THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SHARAD YADAV): (a) The information is given below:—

(Rs. in crores)

Year	Earmarked	Utilised
1996-97	349.37	245.86
1997-98	356.29	281.77
1998-99	368.72	253.44

(b) to (d) Modernisation of airports is a continuous process depending upon the growth in air traffic, demands of the airlines and availability of resources. The details of major works under progress during 1999-2000 are construction of aerobridges, extension of taxi tracks, modification of international terminal at Calcutta, construction of apron export cargo Phase-II, import cargo Phase-III, strengthening of runways with provision of CAT-III Instrument Landing System at Delhi Airport, construction of integrated cargo complex Module I, extension of airside corridor and modification of Anna International Terminal building at Chennai airport. As regards domestic airports, extension and strengthening of runways at Ahmedabad, Bhubaneswar, Calicut, Guwahati, Hyderabad and Lilabari and construction of new Terminal buildings at Agartala, Bagdogra, Kargil, Lilabari, Port B'air, Tezpur and Tura airports. The modernisation programmes proposed for IX Plan period are Construction of New Domestic Terminal Complex, widening of fly over at Terminal II and Export Cargo Terminal Phase-II at Mumbai Airport; modification of terminal II, strengthening of main runway and construction of Hangar at Calcutta Airport; construction of new International Terminal Complex 2B at Delhi airport; and extension/strengthening of runways, construction of new terminal buildings and modification of terminal buildings at major domestic airports.

Duty-free Shops at International Standards

635. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state how Government plan to improve the image of Indian duty-free shops at different International

airports in the country as compared to world class duty-free shops at International airports like London, Frankfurt, Dubai etc.?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SHARAD YADAV): Indian Tourism Development Corporation (ITDC) is currently licensed to run Duty Free Shops at International Airports. ITDC has planned to imporve the duty free shops and enlarge the product range with the advice of an internationally renowned Consultant.

New Aviation Policy

636. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to formulate a new aviation policy;

(b) if so, the salient features of the proposed new aviation policy;

(c) the reasons of making changes in the existing aviation policy; and

(d) to what extent the new aviation policy will bring down the losses of Indian Airlines and Air India?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SHARAD YADAV): (a) to (d) A new draft of the National Policy on Civil Aviation is under formulation.

Declaration of Jaipur Airport as International Airport

637. SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the number of airports in the country which are going to be declared as international airports during the current Plan period;

(b) whether Jaipur airport has been considered to be made international airport;

(c) if so, by when this project is likely to be completed; and

(d) whether any budgetary provision has been made by Government during the current financial year 1999-2000 in this regard as well as during remaining Plan period?